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STATE FOR ISN/CB (ESIDLER AND KFARMER)  
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AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE FOR CWC DEL

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: PARM PREL CN DJ CWC

SUBJECT: DJIBOUTI RATIFIES CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION

REF: A. 05 DJIBOUTI 1245

1B. 05 DJIBOUTI 1212  
1C. 05 STATE 217738

11. (U) Ambassador confirmed, and received a copy of the decree as proof, that the Republic of Djibouti has ratified the Chemical Weapons Convention referred to in reftels.

12. (U) The ratification process was in two stages, beginning with formal ratification by the National Assembly on 24 December 2005 and mandatory affirmation by presidential decree on 31 December 2005. As no ratification would be law absent the proclamation of the President, post believes Djibouti's official date of ratification would be 31 December 12005. Djibouti signed the convention in 1993.

13. (U) Following is text (Embassy translation from French) of the presidential decree proclaiming the ratification as Djiboutian law:

Begin text:

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Republic of Djibouti  
Unity - Equality - Peace

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Presidency of the Republic

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Law No. 123/AN/05/5th L  
Concerning ratification of the Convention on Prohibition of the Making, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and their Destruction

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The National Assembly has adopted,  
the President of the Republic proclaims  
the law whose terms follow:

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Referring to the Constitution of 15 September 1992;  
Referring to Decree No. 2005-0067/PRE of 21 May 2005  
concerning naming of the Prime Minister;  
Referring to Decree no. 2005-0069/PRE of 22 May 2005  
concerning naming of the members of Government;

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The Council of Ministers heard in its session of 22 November 12005.

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Article 1 : The Republic of Djibouti ratifies the Convention on Prohibition of the Making, Stockpiling, and use of chemical weapons.

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Article 2 : The present law will be executed as Law of the State and published in the Official Journal of the Republic of Djibouti upon its proclamation.

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Signed in Djibouti, 31 December 2005

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President of the Republic,  
Head of the Government  
Ismail Omar Guelleh

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